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Children's Necklaces Sold Exclusively at Claire's Stores Recalled Due to Lead Poisoning Hazard

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of product: Children's Necklaces

Units: About 58,000

Importer: Claire's Boutiques Inc., of Hoffman Estates, Ill.

Hazard: The recalled necklaces contain high levels of lead. Lead is toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health effects.

Incidents/Injuries: None reported.

Description: The recalled children's necklaces have metal pendants shaped as monkeys, dolphins, and frogs holding colored marbles, a fleur de lis painted in various colors, a silver and black fairy, silver-colored letters "BFF" with rhinestones, and tiny handcuffs painted in various colors. The pendants hang from silver-colored chains. "Claire's" or "Claire's best friends forever" is printed on the packaging.

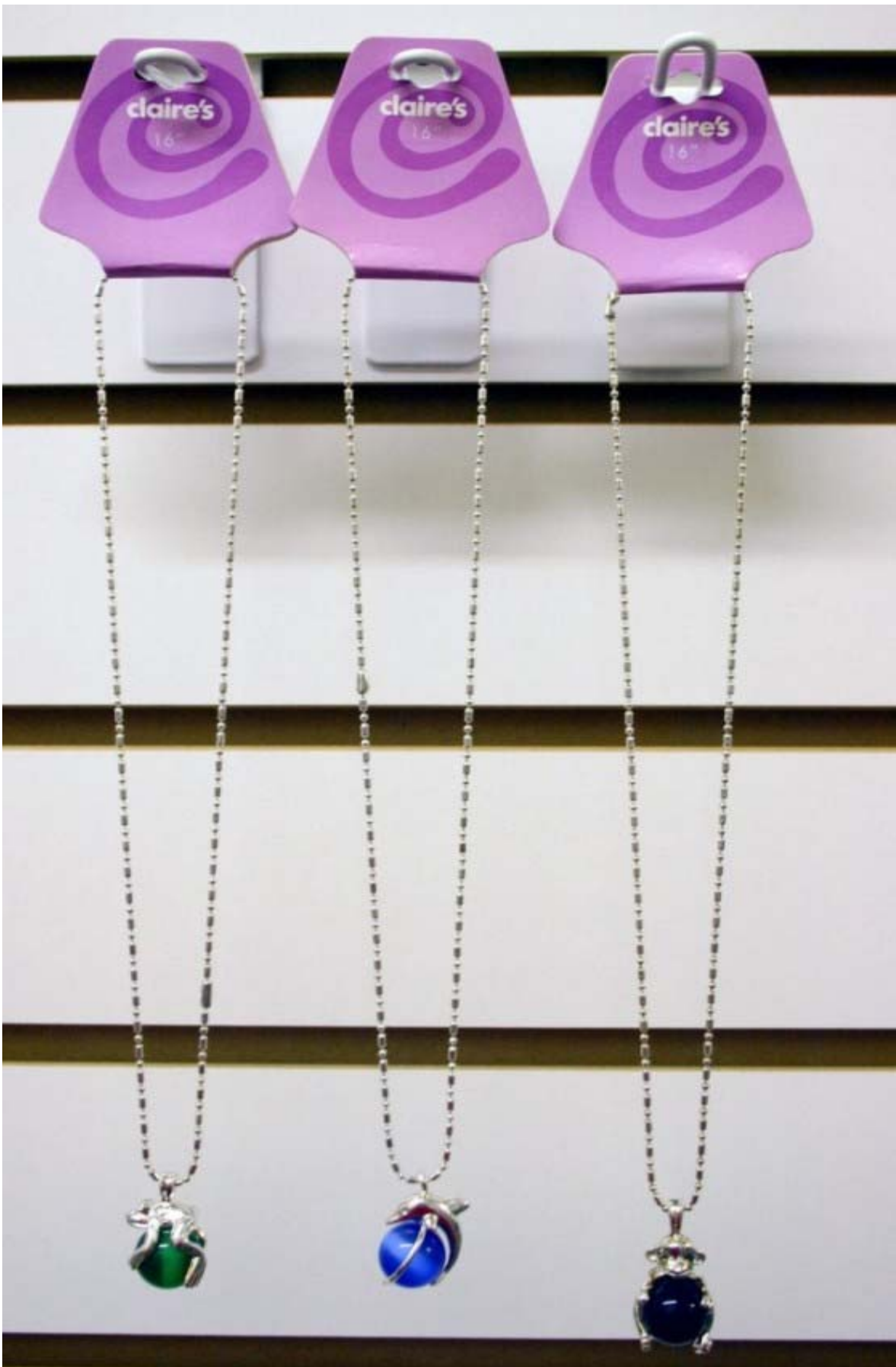
Sold exclusively at: Claire's retail stores nationwide from December 2005 through December 2006 for between \$5 and \$11.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should immediately take this recalled jewelry away from children. Consumers should return the recalled jewelry to any Claire's store for a full refund or a free replacement product.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, call Claire's Boutiques Inc. toll-free at (866) 859-9281 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at www.clares.com





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To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270, or visit CPSC's web site at www.cpsc.gov/talk.html. To join a CPSC email subscription list, please go to www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.asp. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov.